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SUBJ: WEATHER MODIFICATION-NIGER

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1. EMBASSY RECEIVED JULY 16 LETTER FROM ACTING PRESIDENT KAZIENDE REFERRING TO PREVIOUS GON REQUESTS FOR WEATHER MODIFICATION (REFTEL A) AND AGAIN ASKING USG ATTEMPT INDUCE RAIN IN NIGER. LETTER STATES RAINS HAVE BEEN LATE BUT ENCOURAGING IN SOME AREAS AND BADLY DEFICIENT OR TOTALLY LACKING IN OTHERS NOTABLY IN GRAIN PRODUCING EASTERN REGIONS. GON CONCERNED THIS YEAR'S WEATHER WILL FOLLOW PATTERN OF PREVIOUS TWO YEARS WHEREBY PROMISING RAINS OF JULY CEASED IN AUGUST CAUSING STILL IMMATURE CROPS TO WITHER.

2. COMMENT: PRESIDENT DIORI AND MANY OTHERS IN GOVERNMENT HAVE LONG BEEN ADMIRERS OF U.S. TECHNOLOGICAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS. DISCUSSIONS WITH APOLLO XVII ASTRONAUTS AND WIDESPREAD PUBLICITY OF ERTS HAVE RAISED EXPECTATIONS THAT OUR TECHNOLOGY CAN SERVE THE SAHEL. DESPITE TWO PREVIOUS TURNDOWNS BY USG OF REQUESTS FOR WEATHER MODIFICATION, GON WITH FOCUS ON CRITICAL AUGUST-SEPTEMBER PERIOD IS AGAIN ASKING U.S. TO HELP.

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